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### AMENDMENT A

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2004, entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of the claims as amended are respectfully requested.

After this Amendment, 18 claims remain pending, 5 of which are independent. In the original application 40 claims were paid for, 9 of which were independent. Accordingly, it is believed that no additional claims fees are due to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at this time.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge any additional fees required to secure the entry of this Amendment Under Rule 1.111, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-0882.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this Amendment.